

DEDICATE TABLET
TO BELOVED BISHOP

Japanese Tribute to Channing
Moore Williams Unveiled in

Hollywood Cemetery.

NOTED CHURCHMEN PRESENT

Four Bishops and Local Episcopal Clergymen Attend and

Assist in Services.

With simple, but impressive services, a memorial stone to the late Rt. Rev. Channing Moore Williams, D. D., first Protestant Episcopal Bishop of Japan, was unveiled yesterday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock in Hollywood. The stone, a tribute from the Christians of Japan, was dedicated in the presence of a large assemblage, which included high dignitaries of the Protestant Episcopal Church in America and the Orient, an ex-Bishop of Africa, and practically the entire Episcopal clergy of the city.

At the request of the donors of the stone, Rt. Rev. H. S. McQueen, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese of Kyoto, Rt. Rev. John McKim, D. D., Bishop

The Bishop of Tokyo, and Rev. J. H. Marshall, rector of St. Margaret's School, New York, who was in New York attending the triennial convention, came to Richmond to present the memorial. It was dedicated to the memory of Bishop D. D. Gibson, Bishop of Virginia. Among the noted speculators was Rt. Rev. C. F. Penick, D. D., retired Bishop of African, and a friend of Bishop Williams. The service was very impressive.

Bishop Gibson presided over the ceremonies. Bishop Tucker made a short address, in which he told of the devotion of the Christians to honor the memory of the departed leader. He was followed by Bishop McKim, who elaborated on Bishop Gibson's talk, and in a voice choked with emotion, he told of the life and work of Bishop Williams and of his trials and troubles in a hostile nation.

Following the solemn benediction of the stone by Bishop Gibson, the memorial was unveiled by James R. V. Daniel, youngest great-nephew of Bishop Williams, assisted by another great-nephew, Hubert LeFebvre Williams, son of John Skelton Williams, and members of Troops 5 and 3, Boy Scouts of St. Paul's and Holy Trinity Churches, who also acted as guides to the graves.

The memorial, which stands at the foot of Bishop Williams' grave, is a three-foot block of Japanese granite, resting on a block of Virginia granite. It is beautifully carved as a scroll and lettered in beaten gold. The work was done by a Japanese Christian of Tokyo.

Tiny Crossed Flags.

At the top of the scroll is a small golden cross, while at the foot of the

Stone are two tiny crossed flags, Japanese and American, done in colors. On the scroll, in a beautiful Japanese characters and in English, touching tribute to the life and work of the first Bishop of Japan. The Japanese inscription, freely translated, is as follows:

Here we laid the foundation of the church of Japan with patience and the face of all difficulties. O, how noble is the venerable Bishop Williams! During the fifty years of his Japanese bishopric he preached the gospel and never preached of himself. Suddenly he went away and retired to the seclusion

The English inscription is above the Japanese and is as follows:

"In loving memory of the Rt. Rev. Chauncy Moore Williams, D. D., who consecrated his life to the Japanese

people as missionary and bishop from July 18, 1859 to April, 1908, this tablet is erected by Japanese Christians."

On the reverse side of the tablet is the following inscription in Japanese:

"The footprints of the Lord."

It also contains, in Japanese, the date of the birth and death of Bishop Williams and the name of the maker of the stone.

Pioneer Missionary.

Bishop Williams, a native of Richmond, was a pioneer missionary in the Orient, the founder of the Christian Church in Japan, the first Bishop of Japan and the second Bishop of China.

He died in Richmond on December 2, 1910, having retired from active service two years previous on account of failing health.

Making the celebrated voyage of entry with Commodore Perry in 1855 to the Far East, he remained behind in the newly opened Shanghai when the American fleet sailed for home. After a short stay in China he went across to Japan, where he was to spend the best part of the life.

It is said that he labored for seven years in Japan before making his first convert.

When he was recalled to America and consecrated Bishop of China and Japan, but a short while later he was relieved of the Chinese Diocese at his own request. Upon his retirement in 1908, after fifty-five years of mission work, the Episcopal Church in Japan was divided into two bishoprics, and the mantle of Bishop Williams divided between Bishop McKim and Bishop Tucker.

The Episcopal Church in Japan was regarded as the leader of

The missionary movement, and his memory has been all but canonized by the people of Japan. Among other things, he translated the prayer-book and the Bible into Japanese.

Three namesakes of Bishop Williams live here, but all were out of the city and unable to attend the exercises. They are, Channing Williams Daniel, Channing Williams Lefebvre and Channing Williams Harsell.

EARNINGS SHOW INCREASE

But Operating Expenses of N. & W. Growing Much Faster Than Income.

Net operating revenues of the Norfolk and Western Railway system for the first nine months show an increase over the same month last year of approximately 4 per cent.

The total operating revenues for the month were \$4,069,679.64, an increase of \$282,895.21, or 10 per cent. Operating expenses were \$2,700,790.99, an increase of \$335,779.55, or 14 per cent. The net operating revenues were \$1,368,888.65, an increase of \$17,925.72, or 4 per cent.

For the first three months of this fiscal year, the operating revenues were \$12,829,854.45, the operating expenses \$7,903,600.18, leaving the net operating revenue \$2,936,194.17, a decrease from the same period last year of \$152,211.45.

1699.79, or 5 per cent.